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1. The Workers

- a. The construction work in Sztalinváros, which was started in 1950, is being carried out by the 26/I Construction Trust (Építőipari Tröszt). At the time of observation approximately 16,000 workers were still engaged in construction work by the trust. A labor force of 15,000 is being recruited to work in the completed plants. 50X1-HUM
- b. Until the end of November 1951, only civilian workers were employed, but in December 1951 about 2,000 prisoners were added, of whom 600 are working in the plant for heat-resistant material, the others in the power plant and in the coking plant. The prisoners are quartered in barracks which are locked up at night. Industrial police (in black uniforms) guard the barracks. During the day the prisoners can move freely, but the area in which they work is guarded. Neither the work places of the prisoners nor their living quarters are surrounded by barbed wire or any other fence. Just the same, there are few attempted escapes. The majority of the prisoners are employed as ordinary workers. Only prisoners with specialized knowledge work in offices. The prisoners are treated the same as in other working camps and the wages are likewise the same.

2. The Construction Directorates

Four directorates are in charge of carrying out the construction of the project. They are completely independent of one another and receive their orders directly from Kovács. (See 3a below.)

a. Directorate "Gyáregépítés" (building of factories)

It is under the directorship of István Takács. His deputy is László Sajgó.

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The main office is in the so-called "Radan building". Takács is in charge of the foundries, the "Mechanica", the factory for heatresisting material, the boiler shop, the power plant, the coking plant, the bread factory, the machine repair work shop, and the transformer houses.

Technical manager of the directorate is Lajos Szebeni. Manager of the workers is József Koczka. Head of the wage office is Ferenc Hamuric. Secretary of the Youth Organization DISZ is András Balogh. Administrator is József Tolvaly.

Chief building supervisors: József Plathy, who is in charge of the boiler shop and the power plant; Ferenc Felhősi (see paragraph 3 e), who is in charge of part of the foundry and of the factory for heatresisting material; and Ferenc Prejavara, who is in charge of the other part of the foundry, of the "Mechanica", and of part of the coking plant.

Building manager for some of the buildings of the foundry and the coking plant: Zoltán Demény; of the buildings of the "Mechanica" and the bread factory: Sándor Németh.

The co-ordinator for construction work, which is subordinate to directorate 21/6, is Adolf Abony. Building manager of the factory for heatresisting material and for the machine repair workshop: Lajos Balogh. Sándor Szabó is in charge of the fuel stores and material stores.

b. Directorate "Városépítés" (Municipal construction)

This directorate is controlled by Johanna Wolf (see paragraph 3 j).

c. Directorate "Közut és Vasutépítés" (construction of roads and railways)

Managers: István Garancs.

d. Directorate "Mélyépítés" (sub-surface construction)

Director of this directorate is István Filipcsievics. His deputy is Chief Engineer Lajos Takács; technical director: Géza Herki.

3. Leading Personnel

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a. Miklós Kovács: Deputy Minister for construction

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b. Gyula Branovics: Until 7 November 1951. Party secretary of the building concern in Szatimváros.

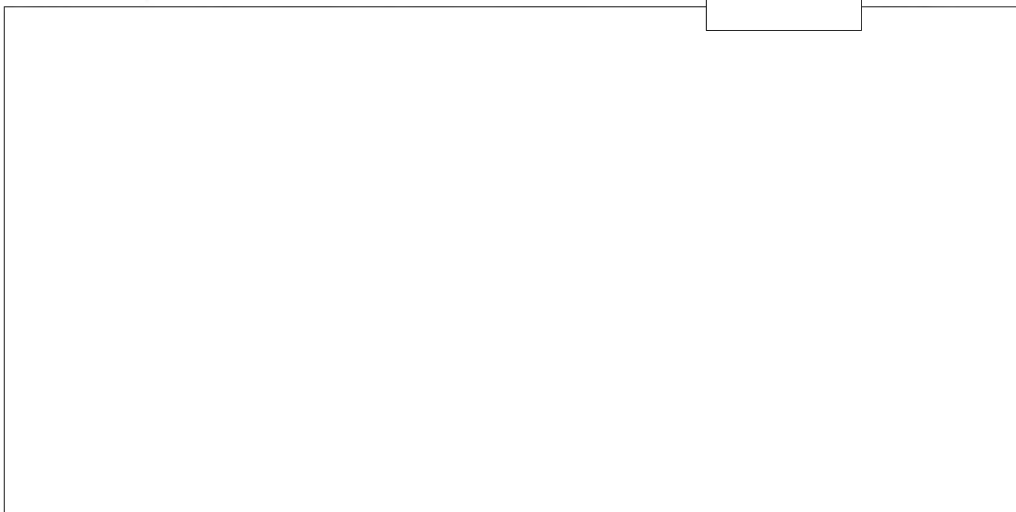
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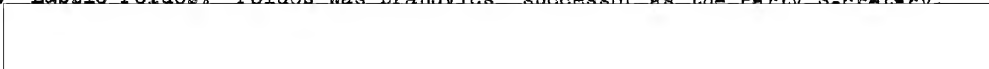
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c. László Földes: Földes was Branovics' successor as the Party Secretary.

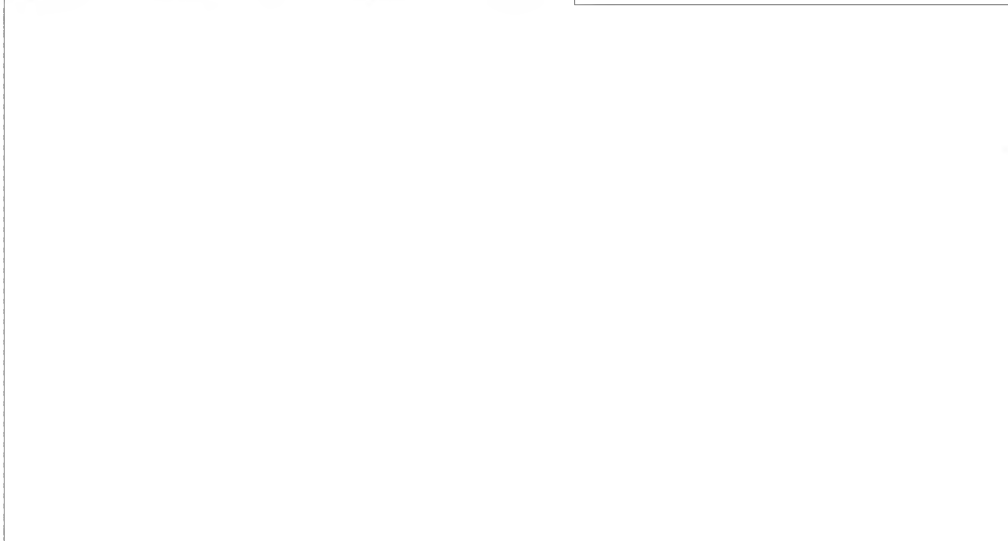


d. Ferenc Prejavara: Chief architect and the oldest leading functionary in
Sztalinváros.

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e. Ferenc Felhősi: Chief construction manager



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f. László Horváth: Auxiliary worker on ferro-concrete building work.

g. András Difalko: Central Party representative.

h. László Szilárdi: Major of the AVH.

i. György Farkas: In the factory for heatresisting material he was in charge of accepting the materials used. In August 1951, he became head of the central receiving office.

j. Johanna Wolf: Head of the municipal construction concern.

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